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Tiger Love!



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Cheryl LaBlond gets a hug from the Giant Tiger, at the Bradford store's Grand Staying Open event, on September 29. She lined up at 5:30 a.m.

Bradford West Gwillimbury residents saved their Giant Tiger.

The Giant Tiger store in Bradford was slated to close its doors forever on September 28.

But after an "unprecedented" outpouring of support from residents and shoppers, that included impassioned letters, emails and

petitions, the Head Office of the Canadian company reversed its decision.

Giant Tiger did close on the 28th - but only to allow the company to polish floors, refurbish and restock shelves and racks, for a Grand

Staying Open event on September 29.

It was a community triumph, and a community celebration. The Giant Tiger was on hand, posing with shoppers, and the company brought in a Climbing Wall, face-painting;

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In recognition



Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Doug White, left, presents the Fire Service Exemplary Service Medal to Fire Chief Kevin Gallant, in the September 18 meeting of Council. The Medal recognizes 20 years of Exemplary Service.

Recovering the cost of Fire Service?

In Committee of the Whole on Tuesday night, Bradford West Gwillimbury Council heard a proposal from the BWG Fire & Emergency Services that could generate some additional revenues for the department. Fire Chief Kevin Gallant proposed that the Town sign an agreement with Fire Marque Inc. Indemnification Technology Services to recoup the costs of fire response - from the insurance companies of the homeowners and businesses requiring fire services.

Fire Marque Inc. would bill the insurers, and retain 30% of the revenues collected, as their part of the deal. The rest would be returned to the Fire Department, to be used for the purchase of equipment, provision of training, education or other programs. The agreement would be for a 3-year term.

But Council had some concerns. "Is there an effect on the residents' insurance?" asked Councillor James Leduc.

"They (Fire Marque) say it shouldn't have an effect on property insurance," responded Chief Gallant, "but don't hold me to that."

Councillor Del Crake objected to being asked to approve an agreement without having information from the Insurers. "All the information that has been conveyed to the Fire Chief has been conveyed by Marque," Crake suggested.

"This doesn't give me warm and fuzzies," agreed Councillor Raj Sandhu, asking about the potential impact on insurance rates. "They already paid their taxes. The last thing I want is charging something on top."

"We collect taxes to finance this fire department - then turning around and dingling

these residents and their insurance companies?" Councillor Ron Simpson protested.

Chief Gallant noted that his department already bills homeowners and businesses for "extraordinary" expenses, "where we have to go above and beyond" - if heavy equipment must be brought in to knock down a dangerous structure, for example, or where fire gear is contaminated and must be cleaned or replaced.

He said he'd prefer to exclude such "capital cost" recoveries from the agreement with Fire Marque, and just use the company to bill for smaller-scale, standard incidents. "I don't have the staff, and we don't have the experience to do that," he said. Fire Marque Inc. would provide that service.

Gallant said that he had contacted other Fire Chiefs,

who have already signed agreements with the company. "They're indicating it hasn't been a lot of money."

"I think there's an opportunity here," said Leduc - but he asked for a deferral, and additional research.

"There's an opportunity here for revenue," Mayor Doug White agreed, suggesting that the issue be referred back to the Town's Fire & Emergency Committee to look at the proposal in greater detail and do more research, before coming back with a recommendation. The suggestion was approved, in a vote.

Councillor Simpson said he plans to run the Fire Marque proposal by his insurance companies.

Fire Prevention Week Open House!

October 7 to 13 has been proclaimed Fire Prevention Week in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

This year's theme is "Have 2 Ways Out" - a reminder to residents to develop a home fire escape plan, and ensure that there are working smoke alarms on every storey.

There will be an Open House at the Bradford Fire & Emergency Services HQ, 75 Melbourne Drive on Thursday, October 11, from 6 to 8 p.m. Families are invited to drop in to the fire hall, to meet the firefighters, check out the fire trucks and safety equipment, and learn more about fire prevention. Fire Prevention Week commemorates the Great Chicago Fire of October 8, 1871, which left 100,000 people homeless, and took 300 lives.

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South Simcoe Police: Collisions!

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On October 2, at 3:38 p.m., a 47 year old Innisfil man riding a motorcycle northbound on 20 Sideroad in Innisfil, slowed to make a right hand turn onto the 6th Line - and was rear-ended by a Ford Escape driven by an 83 year old Innisfil woman. The motorcyclist was not seriously injured, but was taken to hospital for observation. The woman was charged with Careless driving. Anyone who witnessed the collision is asked to contact police.

Impaired driver in collision

At 11:40 p.m. on Sept. 29, South Simcoe Police were called to a motor vehicle that had struck a hydro pole on Maple Road in Innisfil. With the assistance of citizens at the scene, the driver, a 41 year old Innisfil man, was arrested a short distance away. The driver was returned to the police station for breath tests, and charged for Impaired Driving and Over .080.

Industrial accident

At about 8:07 a.m. on Oct. 1, officers were called to an Innisfil Lumber yard, to a report of an industrial accident. A 45 year old fork lift operator was injured while off-loading wood from a flatbed truck. He sustained serious but not life-threatening injuries, and was transported to hospital in Barrie. Ministry of Labour is investigating.

Impaired driver

An officer investigated a male driver on Anna Maria Ave. in Innisfil, at about 8:30 p.m. on Sept. 28, and observed signs of impairment by alcohol. The 49 year old Innisfil man failed a roadside screening test, was arrested and returned to North Division, where he was charged with Impaired/Over .080 mg, given a 90 day administrative licence suspension and a court date, and had his vehicle impounded for 7 days.

2013 Police Budget

The Bradford West Gwillimbury Innisfil Police Services Board is holding a Special Meeting on the 2013 budget, October 15 at the Innisfil Town Hall, for discussion purposes. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. Members of the public are invited to attend, as the South Simcoe Police Service presents its DRAFT 2013 budget to the Board.

Neighbourhood Watch

A reminder: There is a South Simcoe Police presentation on Neighbourhood Safety and the Neighbourhood Watch program tonight, Oct. 4, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. West. RSVP to Elizabeth.achuwandeng@southsimcoe police.ca or 905-775-3311, ext. 1021.

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our editorial

Fire proposal sets off alarms

We would suggest that Council take a long hard look at all of the implications, before signing a deal with Fire Marquee Inc.

The company is offering to recover "costs" of fireproofing from the insurance of homeowners and businesses, for a 30% cut - returning 70% of the monies collected to the local Fire Marquee Inc.

True, that could generate some revenues, to offset the cost of firefighting. But as Councillors Raj Sandhu, Ron Simpson and Del Croke pointed out, residents are already paying for fire service, through their taxes.

Asking the insurance companies to also pay the cost could be seen as double-dipping, and could have serious implications for homeowners. There is the possibility that insurance

rates within the municipality will go up, to cover the additional cost. The bills from Fire Marquee could be counted as a claim, which might lead to homeowners being refused future coverage.

And what about policies with a deductible: will the homeowner be expected to cover the costs up to that ceiling, after suffering the losses of a fire, and paying their taxes?

The fire department is already empowered to bill for "extraordinary" costs associated with a call-out, from hiring a high-hose to rip down a metal-clad barn that is smouldering after a fire, to decontamination of fire equipment.

Should they try to recoup the costs of putting out a chimney fire, or fighting a kitchen fire? Isn't that their job?

Good Neighbours Flag-raising, Oct. 5

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury has proclaimed October 7 to 13 as Good Neighbours Week in the municipality.

The Good Neighbours Campaign was an initiative of the Province, encouraging residents to reach out and create a network of caring, especially for the sick, the frail and the elderly in the community.

The province has ended its involvement, but the Town of BWG continues to support the campaign, which has been active in the municipality since 1994. The Good Neighbours Committee continues to

meet, and to volunteer for numerous events.

The Town will raise the Good Neighbours Flag at the Bradford Courthouse on Holland St. E., on Friday, October 5, at 10 a.m. - and is sponsoring the Annual Good Neighbours Awards, October 12, at the Bradford Library.

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The Seniors' Health Fair, held Sept. 28 at the Portuguese Cultural Centre, was hosted by CHATS (Community & Home Assistance to Seniors) and the Good Neighbours. Here, CHATS CEO Christina Bisanz is flanked by Good Neighbours Irene Turner, left, and Sylvia Luxton.

letters to the editor

It's time to address income inequality

To the editor: Canadians are feeling the pinch. Families are earning less and inflation is increasing the cost of everyday essentials. Students are grappling with rising tuition rates and have fewer opportunities for employment when they graduate. Youth unemployment is at an historic high and student employment is at record lows.

As Canadians adjust to these economic realities, our debt-to-income ratio has grown to 152% - much higher than the U.S., and entire generations of Canadians have little or no savings.

Most of us recognize that income inequality is a growing issue that is at the heart of these challenges. That is why the Liberal Party held a debate in Parliament on addressing income inequality, and put forward several practical steps we can take immediately to reduce it. Specifically, we are calling on the government to:

- roll back their recent Employment Insurance Premium hike;
- end their punitive new claw-back of Employment Insurance benefits;
- make tax credits refundable so that low-income Canadians are not excluded;
- adapt the Registered Disability Savings Plan for sufferers of chronic diseases, such as Multiple Sclerosis;
- remove federal interest charges from student loans.

What we are asking the government to do is to first of all recognize that this is a problem, not continue to dismiss it. Income inequality is a key issue for Canada. We cannot assume that prosperity will be fairly shared, and we cannot take prosperity itself for granted.

We have to avoid the mistakes of the extreme right and the extreme left, and we have to come up with practical proposals that will make a difference to ordinary people and ensure that our prosperity is fairly, deeply and widely shared.

Shared prosperity is what we strive for as a country, and ensuring equality of opportunity for all Canadians is at the core of what it means to be a Liberal.

Bob Rae, Leader Liberal Party of Canada

Recognition for Kilkenny

To the editor: You might be interested in some great news regarding Bradford's own Mike Kilkenny. As you know, after emalling you last year, the Town of Bradford named a baseball field after Mike.

Many things have happened in the past year. In June, Mike was honoured by the London Majors of the Intercountry Baseball League - throwing out the ceremonial first pitch, and having his number 17 retired for his accomplishments with the Majors. This was truly an honour for Mike and his whole family.

On July 7-8, Ted Potter Jr. won the Greenbrier Classic in West Virginia on the PGA Tour; Mike has been a close friend, instructor and mentor to Ted for the past 12 years. This was a true accomplishment and a life-changing experience for both Ted and Mike.

For a small-town boy, Mike has a long reach on the world stage. Mike always tells everyone who interviews him that he comes from Bradford. I still believe the Town should put him on maps at the entry points of towns.

Edie Kilkenny, Bradford

Pie-Tasting Contest

Lakeside Retirement, 985 Innisfil Beach Rd. 5th annual Pie Tasting Contest takes place Saturday, Oct. 13 at 2:30 p.m. A panel of judges will determine the Best Fruit Pie and Best Cream Pie in Innisfil. Pie-tasting, refreshments and prizes. RSVP to 705-431-8105.

To enter pies, pick up a form at front reception, and return by Friday, October 12. Two identical pies must be entered in either category, and dropped off by noon on the day of the contest.

A Health Fair for Seniors

The 3rd Annual Health Fair for Seniors brought together service providers, health care professionals, and local seniors for a day of information and fun at the Portuguese Cultural Centre of Bradford.

This year's Fair, held September 28, was sponsored by CHATS - Community & Home Assistance To Seniors - and supported by the volunteers of the Good Neighbours Campaign.

The new CEO of CHATS, Christina Bisanz, was on hand to welcome seniors, and talk about the role of the organization in the community.

"It's a fantastic organization - the dedication of the staff is phenomenal," said Bisanz, who took on her new role in August. "Each and every one of them is committed to making sure that our clients are well cared for, that they're encouraged to participate... to be engaged."

CHATS has 220 staff members and more than 550 volunteers in York Region and South Simcoe, working to "keep seniors independent, healthy and well in their own homes," she said.

The Health Fair was officially opened by MPP Julia Munro, a representative from MP Peter Van Loan's office, and Bradford West Gwillimbury's Deputy Mayor Rob

Keffer, who told the gathered seniors, "The Town really does value the commitment of the Seniors of our Town" - their experience, knowledge and involvement.

He outlined two recent initiatives, that will bring a satellite of the Southlake Family Health Team to Bradford, and introduce limited public transit - and invited them to be part of the process.

The crowd also heard from Sylvia Luxton, founder of the health fair, and from Bisanz.

Information booths included Rexall, the Heart & Stroke Foundation, Canadian Hearing Association, Southlake Regional Health Centre, Community Care Access Centres of Ontario, Canadian Diabetes Association, Matthews House Hospice, Lifeline, and others - and there was a panel discussion on *Navigating the Health System*, that covered everything from the 211 phone referral service to Southlake's Geriatric Emergency Management (GEM) Nurses in the Emergency Room.

There were also free give-aways, prizes, and lunch - celebrating Seniors in BWG.

Photo: Deputy Mayor Rob Keffer represented the Town at the Seniors' Health Fair, and bought a "Love Hat" made by Madeline Moore of Holland Landing to raise funds for CHATS.



Free movie matinee, at CHATS

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Probus

Club meets

The Probus Club of Bradford - a social club for retired and semi-retired PROfessional and BU/Siness people - meets at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 9, at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 10 SR and 8th Line BWG. Guest speaker is Jim Thompson, on Restorative Justice. Includes a coffee break!

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The month of October is Toastmasters Month in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, and to celebrate, the local Speak for Success Toastmasters are hosting the Area Toastmasters Humorous Speech Contest.

The Contest will take place Tuesday, October 9, 7:30 p.m.

at the local meeting place - the new BWG Leisure Centre, at 471 West Park Ave., in the 2nd floor meeting room. Finalists from 5 area clubs will compete - including Tim Norton, President of the local Speak for Success York-Simcoe Toastmasters, who won the club's competition. Runner-

up was Annette Lavigne, who successfully competed in the International Speech contest earlier this year.

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Feelin' the Tiger love!

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and the balloon art of Kenton Kruger; held a Charity BBQ to benefit the Danube Seniors Leisure Centre, and banded out gift cards to the first shoppers in line for the re-opening.

Some, like Cheryl LeBlond and her mother Christine Auld, had been waiting since 5:30 a.m. for the doors to open.

"I wanted to be first in line," said LeBlond, who has been shopping at Giant Tiger "since they opened. They call me the Giant Tiger Queen."

Auld is also a regular, and helped with the petition calling on Giant Tiger to reconsider. "We have to keep it open," she said.

"There were plenty of dignitaries on hand for the Grand Staying Open ribbon-cutting. 'Quite frankly, I think we're making retail history,'" said MPP Julia Munro as she presented a plaque to the store manager.

MPP Peter Van Loan, BWG Mayor Doug White and members of Council were also there to show their support. "There's a message we delivered to Giant Tiger," said Mayor White, who with Councillor James Leduc met with the store's Head Office. "They have never seen an outpouring of love like they have in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury." And, he said, "this great Canadian company responded - by granting the Bradford

store a reprieve.

Giant Tiger has agreed to keep the store open at least to the end of January - maintaining 30 part-time and full-time jobs, and giving local shoppers the opportunity to show their support, and keep GT in Town.

"The rest of the story is going to be written by the people of Bradford West Gwillimbury," White said, challenging residents to Shop Giant Tiger. The quality, prices and selection are "as good or better" than anywhere available elsewhere, he said, urging residents to support the store, and the downtown.

"You owe it to yourselves, and you owe it to your family, and you owe it to the Town," he said. "They listened to us. The rest of it is up to us... Let's make sure Giant Tiger isn't here for months, it's here forever."

"This is absolutely unbelievable," said Lauren Moir, Vice President of marketing for Giant Tiger, who came in from Ottawa for the event. "I have been in retail 27 years, and I have never, ever seen anything like this... You got your point across. Every day - letters, letters, more letters on my desk."

It was not, Moir said, an easy decision to keep the store open. The Bradford location had already been emptied of stock, shelves were coming down. But, Moir said, "We're

a Canadian company.

We love our Canadian communities, and when you came to us and said, 'We would like you to stay,' the outpouring of love touched a chord.

"Bradford, we love you back!" she said.

Moir later described the relationship between the company and its communities. "Giant Tiger becomes part of the DNA of the Town, and conversely the DNA of the Town is what Giant Tiger is. We are so proud of being Canadian. It's the small towns that hold Canada together," she said. "I have never seen anything like this - I have never been so proud to work for Giant Tiger."

The crowd also heard from store manager Chris Cavicchia. He thanked all of his staff, "who worked so hard" to ensure the store was ready for the "Staying Open" event, all of those in the office, and "most importantly, we'd like to thank you, the people of Bradford, who made this possible."



Clockwise from top: Joining staff in cutting the ribbon are VP Lauren Moir, MPP Julia Munro, Manager Chris Cavicchia and family, Mayor Doug White, and the Tiger; VP of Marketing Lauren Moir framed the front page of The Bradford Times and presented it to Manager Cavicchia; Adam, 6, is fitted with a balloon jet-pack by Kenton Kruger.



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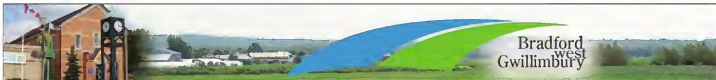
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- Tues. Nov. 6/12 @ 7:00 p.m.
- **Special Meeting**
- Tues. Oct. 23/12 @ 4:00 p.m., Compton Room, 100 Holland St. E.
- Strategic Plan Review and Update

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Active Transportation Committee

Thurs. Oct. 11/12 @ 7:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room, 425 Holland St. W.

Library Board

Thurs. Oct. 11/12 @ 7:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room, 425 Holland St. W.

Police Services Board - Budget Meeting

Mon. Oct. 15/12 @ 7:00 p.m., Innisfil Town Hall

Seniors Housing Committee

Wed. Oct. 17/12 @ 7:00 p.m., Frank Jonkman Room, 81 Melbourne Dr.

PROCLAMATIONS

That his Worship Mayor Doug White and Council proclaim:

- October as Toastmasters Month
- October 7 - 13 as Fire Prevention Week
- October 7-13 as Good Neighbours Week
- October 14-20 as Local Government Week
- October 24 as Child Care Worker & ECE Appreciation Day

NOTICE

Town Wide Fall Flushing

Residents are advised that the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Water Division will be starting their town wide annual program of flushing water hydrants. Water will be run at every hydrant to ensure a clean and fresh water supply for our municipal water customers.

This program will run from September 17 to November 2, 2012. The flushing will take place during the day from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday.

We hope to undertake the work on an area-by-area basis, but as the work may affect adjacent areas, we ask all customers to be patient during this time.

Should you experience discoloured water, please flush your system in the laundry tub and bath room for up to 10 minutes. If the water doesn't clear, please call our office at 905-776-2055 between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday.

We thank all residents for their continuing assistance and cooperation.

NOTICES

"ROLLING" ROAD CLOSURE FOR THE PROCESSION OUR LADY OF FATIMA OCTOBER 13, 2012

TAKE NOTICE that the temporary "rolling" road closure for Saturday, October 13th, 2012, from 8:00pm to 9:00pm will take place at the following locations:

Esso Street, from Holy Martyrs of Japan Church to John Street, John Street, from Esso Street to Church Street, Church Street, from Esso Street to Holy Martyrs of Japan Church.

OFFICE CLOSURE - THANKSGIVING

TAKE NOTICE that the Town Administration Centre will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Monday, October 8th, 2012. Regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. will resume on Tuesday, October 9th, 2012.

To view the holiday hours of operation for our recreational facilities as well as program opportunities, please visit www.townofbwg.com.

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

COMPETITIVE BIDS

RFT #: T-12-68 - SUPPLY & DELIVERY OF ONE (1) HALF TON PICK UP TRUCK

Closing: 2:00 pm Thursday, October 11th, 2012

Tender documents may be obtained by registering for this opportunity on-line on the Town's Website as follows:

www.town.bradfordwestgwillimbury.on.ca/TownHall/Purchasing/TendersandRFPs/index.htm

RFT #: T-12-71 - SNOW PLOWING & SNOW REMOVAL

Closing: 2:00 pm Thursday, October 11th, 2012

Tender documents may be obtained by registering for this opportunity on-line on the Town's Website as follows:

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- Elements of a Bid Document • Challenges we encounter
- Helpful Hints

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Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Notice of Public Meeting

Under the Development Charges Act, 1997

On Tuesday, November 6, 2012, the Council of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury will hold a public meeting pursuant to Section 12 of the Development Charges Act, 1997, to present and obtain public input on the Town's proposed Water, Wastewater and Roads Services development charges by-law and underlying background study.

All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Meeting of Council and any person who attends the meeting may make representations relating to the proposed by-law and background study. The meeting is to be held:

Tuesday, November 6, 2012

7:00 PM

The Council Chambers

57 Holland Street East

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In order that sufficient information is made available to the public, copies of the proposed by-law and the background study are available on the Town's website and from the Town Finance office located at 61 Holland Street East, Bradford, Ontario.

Interested persons may express their comments at the Public Meeting or in writing addressed to the Town Treasurer at the above address, on or before November 5, 2012.

Further information is available from the Town Treasurer via e-mail at igoodfellow@townofbwg.com.

Dated October 4, 2012

LEISURE SERVICES

FALL / WINTER PUBLIC SKATING

Schedule starts Wed. Oct 3, 2012

Wednesdays	1:10 - 2:50 pm
Fridays	6:40 - 8:20 pm
Saturdays	3:40 - 5:20 pm
Sundays	12:40 - 2:20 pm

AQUATICS

Swimming lessons begin the week of October 9th. There are still spaces available for this fall session. Call the Customer Service Desk at (905) 775-7529 ext 0 to find out availability.

Thanksgiving Weekend Hours of Operation

Saturday, October 6	7:30 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday, October 7	7:30 am - 5:00 pm
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From summer memories, to the War of 1812

by Helen Yielding

The beautiful summer weather allowed the members of the Tecumseh & West Gwillimbury Historical Society to indulge in many favourite interests and activities - and they shared their experiences at the September meeting of the Society.

Several members enjoyed the Bond Head 175th birthday celebrations by conducting tours and welcoming participants. Don Mossey drove his 1933 Ford in the parade.

Flying was also a special treat. Mossey took his first glider flight, while Andrew Melny was thrilled to take a flight in a Harvard training plane, over Lake Huron.

Many members travelled. Hazel Johnson relished Leon and Paris, on her trip to France, while Kent Chambers toured Germany, Hungary and several other countries. Dave Pooley's summer adventures included Jamaica and New York.

Others stayed closer to home. Marilyn Dods travelled to Sudbury, where she stayed in a 1913 log cabin, and visited a 94 year old historian of Finnish descent, and a Copperliff

senior who has trapped for a living, since childhood. Bruce Chambers and family toured historic Virginia.

At home, Betsy Flood nurtured a unique heritage variegated squash, whose seeds came from Old Williamsburg in the U.S. Bruce Chambers worked on restoring a Victorian home, and Peter VanDyk celebrated the 100th birthday of his father. Bert Anderson worked on a compilation of Allan Anderson's achievement, including his CBC interviews with the likes of Lester B.



Pearson and June Caldwell.

May the summer memories live on. The October 15 meeting of the Tecumseh & West Gwillimbury Historical Society will feature speaker Bert Piatt, on the pivotal role of Chief Tecumseh, in the War of 1812. The Meeting takes place at 7:30 p.m., in the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute Hall in Newton Robinson (Hwy. 27 and 10th Line BWG). All welcome.

For more information, call 905-775-7144 or 905-936-4086.

Photo: A memory of summer - the Bond Head Festival 175, and its historic Walking Tours.

About the Bradford Legion

This year's **Remembrance Dinner** takes place on Saturday, November 10 at the Legion, 115 Back St. in Bradford. Cost is only \$15 per person. Please contact the Legion as soon as possible to purchase your ticket. Veterans and their spouses will be the guests of the Legion; contact Frank Lott at 905-775-5025 to RSVP. Seating is limited. Doors will open at 6 p.m.; dinner is served at 7 p.m.

The Royal Canadian Legion is building a "Virtual Wall of Honour and Remembrance" to honour all deceased veterans, that will be displayed on large video screens just before the National Remembrance Day Ceremony in Ottawa, November 11. Canadians are invited to forward a photograph of their family members who are deceased veterans, to Dominion Command, along with his or her name, years of service, element or force to which he or she belonged, or Regiment/Unit. Photos can be emailed to RememberingThem@legion.ca or ALeurMemoir@legion.ca or mail

to Dominion Command, 86 Ride Place, Ottawa, ON K2L 0A1. Please do not send original photos - they cannot be returned.

Any deceased veteran, including those belonging to the Merchant Navy or Ferry Command, whose death was attributable to any cause before or after they served will be honoured.

Friday Night Meat Rills take place every Friday at 6 p.m. at the Bradford Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion. Come out, enjoy a light dinner for a nominal fee - and perhaps win the meat for Saturday Dinner. On the first Friday of the month (Oct. 5) enjoy Karaoke with Bob Serran, starting at 8 p.m. following the Meat Roll. All welcome.

Thursday Night Darts fun league meets Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. League action begins tonight, October 4. Also, Monday Night competitive Darts League - every Monday night, 7:30 p.m.

Sgt. Wilson's Army Show, at the Danube Seniors Leisure Centre

The Danube Seniors Leisure Centre is located at 715 Simcoe Rd. Call 905-775-0612 for information on programs and activities.

Coming up:

• The Danube Seniors Leisure Centre will be hosting **Sgt. Wilson's Army Show**, on November 18 - with fabulous music from the '40s and '50s, by Glenn Miller, the Andrews Sisters, Marilyn Monroe, Frankie Lane, Doris Day and Vera Lynn. The Show, which comes all the way from Holland, is a tribute to the bond between Canada and the Netherlands - nurtured by Canada's welcome to the Dutch Royal Family during the war years, and the role

of Canadian Troops in liberating Holland in 1945.

Tickets for this amazing show, which is on a Canada-wide tour, are now available at the Early Bird price of \$20, at the Danube Centre, Nancy's Nifty Nook (905-775-7874), M & M Meat Shops (905-775-2982), and Dutch Treats (905-775-6763) - but will be going up to \$25.

The **Annual General Meeting at the Danube Centre** takes place **Thursday, October 4, at 7:30 p.m.** All members are encouraged to attend.

• **Health Seminar for Seniors** - a Hearing Instruments Specialist, a free talk on "Hearing Aid

Science", starting at 11 a.m. Lunch will be available following the seminar, \$6 for members, \$7 for non-members. • **Birthday Luncheon** - on October 18, at 11:30 a.m., enjoy a Roast Beef lunch, with mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables, and dessert. Only \$8 for members, \$9 for non-members - tickets at the door.



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Newmarket's Rebel Heartland



Story and photos by Miriam King, Bradford Times

Rebels led by William Lyon Mackenzie, carrying a flag based on the French Tricolor, fire a volley in a re-enactment of the Battle of Hogg's Hollow in 1837.

Patriots, or traitors?
Reformers, or rebels?

How the the Rebellion of 1837 is perceived depends on where you stand, on the field of history.

The Newmarket Historical Society presented Rebel Heartland 1837 - an encampment and re-enactment of the Rebellion led by William Lyon Mackenzie.

Most of the focus this year is on the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812, but it's also the 175th anniversary of the Rebellion, in which a group of farmers, tradesmen, workers and reformers marched down Yonge St. to end the stranglehold of the Family Compact, a rich and privileged elite.

The powers of the Family Compact rose after the War of 1812 - and ended following the Rebellion, which focused attention on a group that Lord Durham called "a petty corrupt insolent Tory clique."

The re-enactment took place at Fairy Lake Park in Newmarket, on September 29 - and had a full cast of historical characters, including British forces, led by Colonel David Bridgford and Lieutenant James

FitzGibbon - both of them heroes of the War of 1812 - and Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada, Sir Francis Bond Head.

The Rebels were led by Mackenzie, and by well-respected surveyor, businessman and reformer, Samuel Lount - one of two men hanged, to "set an example", once the rebellion was quashed.



Re-enactor Jim Nidderly, as FitzGibbon - a hero of the War of 1812, who helped rout the Rebels.

Last Blast, at the Simcoe County Museum

The Historical Construction Equipment Association and the Simcoe County Museum present Last Blast, the annual Fall Steam up of antique construction equipment - Saturday, Oct. 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Displays, demonstrations, BBQ, at 1151 Hwy. 26. Regular admission.

George Jackson Symposium in October

Bradford United Church and the BWG Local History Association are organizing a tribute to the late George Jackson, historian, author and community leader.

The inaugural George Jackson Symposium will focus on the History of Bradford West Gwillimbury, with presentations on 3 consecutive Wednesday evenings, October 10, 17 and 24 at 7 p.m., at the Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St.

The October 10 session will begin with an exploration of the origins of the names of many of Bradford's streets - and the importance of the

Holland Marsh, in providing local food, in the past, the present and the future.

On October 17, the session will invite participants on a pictorial walk-about through the history of Bradford West Gwillimbury's buildings and landmarks.

On October 24, the symposium will offer a peek at the History of Bond Head, from pioneer days to the families that currently make Bond Head their home.

There is no charge for the Symposium, but donations to the Helping Hand Food Bank are welcomed. The event is an opportunity to learn

more about the history of the community, and connect with local heritage. Please pre-register at 905-775-7268 or email revkennan@gmail.com. For more information, contact Rev. Jim Keenan at 905-751-5335.

Expressions 2012

The Bradford Arts Guild presents: Expressions 2012 arts and crafts show and sale, at the Bradford Library. Tables are now available for the November 10 event. See www.BradfordArtsGuild.com for details.

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Downtown Window Decorating Contest

Santa Claus is coming back to Bradford on November 17 - and this year, the Bradford Board of Trade wants to make sure that downtown Bradford is gussied up for the occasion.

The BBT is partnering with the Bradford Arts Guild and the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury to launch the Bradford Downtown Window Front Decoration Contest.

Merchants in the downtown are being asked to sign up with the BBT - only \$20 for members, \$40 for non-members. They will be paired with local artists and High School art students, who will decorate the windows, starting November 1. The artists will be vying for a grand prize of \$1,000 in cash, sponsored by Coffee Culture Café & Eatery, and Royal LePage - At Your Service Realty. All windows are to be completed by the week before the Parade - and the public will be invited to cast their ballots for their favourite,

and a chance to win a Gift Basket. Participating merchants are also being encouraged to come up with other promotions, to market their businesses.

"We hope this will become an annual thing," says Janet Chu of Coffee Culture - and that the results will be "spectacular".

For more information or to register, contact the BBT at 905-778-8727 or www.bradfordboardoftrade.com

Also wanted: donations of Christmas decorations, lights etc., window paints, etc., that could be used by the artists and students to decorate the downtown windows.

"I'm thinking lights and shiny fabrics, shiny balls and garlands, glittery objects such as snowflakes, and maybe even old Christmas ornaments, like sleighs," says Trudy Neumeyer of the Bradford Arts Guild. Donations can be dropped off at Coffee Culture, or contact www.BradfordArtsGuild.com

Focus on Business: Small Business Week!

The Town of Innisfil, and Innisfil's Economic Development Advisory Committee, are hosting a networking and information session for **Home-based and Small Business** on Tuesday, October 16, at the Innisfil Town Hall, 2101 Innisfil Beach Rd., at 6 p.m.

Owners of small and home-based businesses are invited to come out to network, and learn more about the services available in the community. Those interested in showcasing their services or products are invited to contact the Town about setting up a free display table. Booth space is limited, available on a first come, first served basis. Contact Becky Brendon, Development and Marketing coordinator at rbrendon@innisfil.ca or call 705-436-3740 ext. 1514. The

evening also features a presentation by Marc Duco, of Duco & Duco LLP, and Susan Morrison, CA, on the legal and financial pros and cons of incorporation, sole proprietorship and succession planning.

Business Advantage Forum: Strategies for Success includes high-profile speakers, interactive sessions, a networking opportunity, refreshments and dinner by an award-winning caterer, using local foods - only \$10 per person. At the historic Gibson Centre, 63 Tupper St. W. in Wilketon, Thursday, Oct. 16 from 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dinner is limited to the first 150 registered participants. Contact the Innisfil Chamber of Commerce, at www.innisfilchamber.com or email info@innisfilchamber.com by October 13.

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Terry Fox Run at Mother Teresa Catholic



Miriam King photo, Bradford Times

While the main Terry Fox Run took place on Sunday, September 16, schools remembered Terry Fox and his Marathon of Hope by holding Terry Fox Runs in their school yards and communities, over the next two weeks. Here, students at Mother Teresa Elementary School in Bradford did their Run on Sept. 25 - the older kids running through the neighbourhood, the Primary kids running laps around the parking lot of Holy Marys of Japan church.

Coats for Kids opens in October

Costs for Kids re-opens this month. Phil MacFadden, the son of the late Jack MacFadden, will be working with volunteers to open the Coats for Kids Depot, in the St. Mary's "A" Hall off Frederick St. on Thursday, October 18, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The grassroots campaign invites residents to donate good quality and gently-used coats, hats, winterwear, snowsuits, boots, mitts and gloves, to ensure that no child in the area has to face a cold Canadian winter unprepared. The items are sorted, and made available to any family in need, at no charge, at the Depot.

Thanks to a mild winter last year, and a highly successful Coat Drive by Exhale Spa & Salon, Coats for Kids is well stocked for coats, but does need good quality boots, for boys, girls, men and women, in all sizes, and Girls' snowsuits and winterwear, for ages 2 to 6. Donations can be dropped off at VideoQuest, in the Giant Tiger plaza on Holland St. W.; The Bradford Times, 74 John St. W.; or at Holy Trinity High School.

Rama Casino trip fundraiser

1st Bradford Scouting is sending two units to next year's Scouting Jamoree in Sylvan Lake, Alberta, July 6 to 13, 2013. To help raise the funds, a Scouting parent has come

up with a unique fundraiser - a trip to Casino Rama.

The bus will leave Bradford District High School at 5 p.m. on Saturday, October 13, arriving at the Casino at 6 p.m., and departing at 11 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person, for the bus and a \$10 voucher at the casino, that can be used for a meal, or casino play (bring gov.

issued ID, to use the voucher).

The bus ride will include door prizes, of golf clubs and smart phones, and refreshments. Call Len Gross at 416-268-4660 to RSVP.

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Expropriations Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.26

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO EXPROPRIATE LAND

IN THE MATTER OF an application by the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board for approval to expropriate lands described as Block 186, Plan 51 M-875, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, County of Simcoe, being all of PIN 58013-1027 (L3) for the purpose of a new school site

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate an interest in land described as: Block 186, Plan 51M-875, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, County of Simcoe, being all of PIN 58013-1027 (L.T.). A copy of the plan is available for viewing in the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board's Office located at 46 Alliance Blvd., Barrie, Ontario.

Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given who desires an inquiry into whether the taking of such interest in land is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority shall so notify the approving authority in writing

- (a) in the case of a registered owner, served personally or by registered mail within thirty days after the registered owner is served with the notice, or, when the registered owner is served by publication, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice;
- (b) in the case of an owner who is not a registered owner, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice.

The approving authority is:

Simcoe Muskoka Catholic
District School Board
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The expropriating authority is:

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Thanksgiving Harvest, & Giving

At the Bradford Farmer's Market



The Bradford Farmers' Market has taken place every Saturday morning during the summer, at the new Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. West - offering fresh produce, cut flowers, potted herbs, preserves and jams, baking and sweet treats, maple syrup, Pioneer honey, Dingo Meats, farm fresh eggs from Homestead farms, Artisanal flour, Nuka hand-made soaps, and crafts by Pennies from Heaven, Pook Designz, and Antonio Ziel - wood-turner, from 8 a.m. to noon.

But all good things come to an end. This Saturday, October 6 is the final Bradford Farmers' Market of the 2012 season. The Hometown Bluegrass Band out of Tottenham has been invited to provide the entertainment, and there will be pumpkin-decorating for the kids. Come out to see the bounty of the season, and bid farewell to the farmers and vendors at this year's market.

Comment on the Food & Ag Charter

The Simcoe County Food & Agriculture Charter is now in its first draft - a community-created document that will act as a guide for community leaders and decision makers, in the development of local food and agriculture policies. Learn more on Wednesday, October 10 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Bradford & District Memorial Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Rd., Bradford.

Faurecia re-FUELS the Food Bank

Faurecia employs more than 17,000 workers at its 45 locations, in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

For a third year, those employees were challenged to participate in a Community Food Drive - the annual FUELS (Faurecia Unites Employees for Local Service) challenge, during the month of September, to collect donations for local food banks and fight hunger in their communities.

As an added incentive, Faurecia pledged to donate \$500 to each site's local food bank partner, if the site met its collection goal; an extra \$1000 donation for the site that collected the most per person each week; and a further \$5,000 donation, for one site in the U.S./Canada and one in Mexico, that collected the most food per person overall.

In the past, Bradford's Faurecia plant and its 780 employees collected an average of 1,300 lbs. of non-perishable food for the local Helping Hand Food Bank.

But this year, they stepped up the level of competition - competing

not only for the international prizes, but for internal company prizes that included a pizza lunch, and a car wash, by management.

The response was overwhelming. By the end of September, Bradford employees had donated a whopping 6,601 lbs. of non-perishable food items - donations that took a total of 5 pick-ups by food bank volunteers, including a final pick-up on October 1, just in time for Thanksgiving.

"This was actually the largest," said Linda Stella, HR Generalist with Faurecia. "This year we kind of pushed the competitiveness."

The enthusiasm extended to staff members finding out what was needed by their donations - bringing not only cases of soup and cans of tuna, but baby food, laundry detergent and other items that met local needs.

"I've been at the food bank 10 years, and I've never seen anything like this," said food bank director Anne Silvey, as Faurecia employees

packed the final boxes and bags of donations into her car.

Employees also plan to volunteer at the food bank - helping to sort and shelve their donations.



Faurecia employees help "carry out the groceries" - just some of the donations

Back Alley Cruisers' Pre-Snow Show "gives back"



There were acres of chrome and polish, at the Georgian Bay Steam Show Grounds, September 30 for the Bradford Back Alley Cruisers Car club's annual Pre-Snow Show.

With temperatures in the mid-teens, and sunny skies, enthusiasts from across Ontario brought their custom cars, classics, antiques, muscle cars, hot rods and chopped down Chevys, for the annual show and shine. Admission was a donation of cash or non-perishable food for the Helping Hand Food Bank. Donations totalled over \$6,600 and filled 2 pick-up trucks, just in time for Thanksgiving. There were games, a fundraising BBQ, bake sale, music of the '50s and '60s, as 800 to 900 vehicles rolled in to take part in the Show, and "give back."



Left: Chopped '51 Chev. Above: 1981 Phillips Berlina Towne.



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Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament

Saturday, October 13th Bond Head Hall

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Owl-banding and E-waste at Scanlon

Scanlon Creek Conservation Area will host **Owl Banding Workshops** on Friday and Saturday evenings in October, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Scanlon Farm House (use the Bark Park entrance, off Yonge St.) Only \$20 per person, or \$70 per family of four, for this unique experience. Learn why bird banding is important, how to band birds, how to protect owls and their habitat. Please pre-register by contacting Brenda Winter at b.winter@lsrca.on.ca or call 905-895-



1281, ext. 263. Note: Only 10 spots available per night. Last year's Bird Banding Workshops sold out!

Scanlon Creek Conservation Area is holding an **Electronic Waste Recycling Day** on Saturday, October 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Donate your e-waste - old TVs, computers and accessories, audio and video equipment, phones, typewriters, printers, mp3s, household batteries, etc. - and receive free park access for the day, and a chance to win a 1-year membership

to Scanlon, a 1-year membership to the Off-Leash Bark Park, or 2 passes to an Owl Banding Workshop. Funds raised at the collection day will support environmental initiatives at Scanlon Creek. Also wanted - donations of gently used clothing and household goods, for the Salvation Army. Use the entrance at the Bark Park, off Yonge St., or at 2450-9th Line, and follow the signs. For more information, contact Brenda Winter, at b.winter@lsrca.on.ca or 905-895-1281, ext. 263. Organized by the Friends of Scanlon Creek Committee.

York-Simcoe Naturalists meet in River Drive Park

York Simcoe Naturalists meet on Tuesday, October 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the River Drive Park Community Centre, 20 Oak St. in River Drive Park (off Queensville SR, north

of Holland Landing). Guest speakers are Frank Jonkman Jr., Drainage commissioner, and Christa Sharpe, LSRCA, on the Holland Marsh Drainage Improvement

project that is shifting the Holland Marsh canals. Refreshments.

For information, see www.yarnaturalists.ca

National Forest Week at Scanlon



Photo and story by Miriam King, Bradford Times
Forester Paul Cottenden leads a hike through Scanlon Creek Conservation Area

A small group turned out for the National Forest Week guided hike at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area, on Sunday, September 30. Forester Paul Cottenden led the walk in the woods, pointing out the massive red oaks, the towering hemlock, aspen, white and red pine, bitternut hickory, white ash, a giant Black Cherry tree - and a number of endangered butternut trees, sadly all infected with butternut canker.

Cottenden noted that the hot, dry summer has been "very stressful" for Ontario's trees - and with the "funny" spring, it has also been a poor

year for seed production. Between the hot dry weather, the spread of diseases like Beech Bark disease and butternut canker, and invasive pests like the emerald ash borer, "It was a tough year on trees... Our trees are really struggling."

The trail led past one great tree that may have lost the struggle. It was a giant red oak, and the hikers discovered that a recent wind storm had toppled most of the tree, weakened by rot. A single large limb remained alive.

"We had different arborists come in and try everything (to save it)

because it is our biggest diameter red oak," Cottenden said. "We may still try to save it," he added - but even dead trees play a major role in forest life, providing shelter for birds, squirrels and raccoons.

Hort. Soc. meeting

The Gifford & District Horticultural meets at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 15 at the Churchill Community Centre to wrap up the 2012 gardening season. Round Table discussion of the problems, plans, solutions, stars and duds of 2012.

Ask Dr. Michelle....



Holland Street Veterinary Services in the West Park Plaza

Declawing and possible alternatives

Did you know that when cats rub their cheeks or paws onto objects they are releasing pheromones which serve as territory markers? Scratching allows cats to mark their territory and helps shed the outermost layer of nail. That said, when your favorite feline decides they want to mark your brand new leather couch as theirs, they could quickly become your not so favorite feline. Sadly, this common source of anxiety for cat owner can culminate with a visit to the OSPCA or euthanasia. The longer the behavior persists and the stronger the desire of the individual to scratch, the more difficult the behavior is to correct.

To decrease the likelihood of potential problems, there are several things to consider. The first step is to provide an appropriate area for scratching and discourage the clawing of unadorned areas. Encourage your cat to visit the scratching post by sprinkling catnip and treats onto it and plug a feline diffuser nearby. Keeping nails short or using nail covers (Soft Paws) can work well.

To deter scratching, use double sided tape, a tarp, foil or plastic to cover areas that are being damaged. An aversive substance such as Bitter Apple may further help deter the cat. Another option is the SSSCAT motion detector which sprays a safe, non-toxic substance when approached and acts as an excellent deterrent. Sounding an air horn, alarm, or even shaking an empty can with pennies in it can sometimes interrupt undesired behavior. Allowing cats to scratch old furniture is to be discouraged as once learned, the behavior is easily transferred to new pieces of furniture.

Many people do not realize it but declawing is an amputation and a procedure which should be entertained only after all other attempts have failed. If you are having issues, please contact your veterinarian for advice.

905-775-4787 www.hollandstreetvet.com

Waste Management Information



THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

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Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday on **Monday, October 8th** all collections will be delayed by one day for the entire week.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

County of Simcoe Customer Service
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Fall Harvest Fundraiser

Ad-dictive Designs is hosting its first-ever Fall Harvest Event - a fundraiser for the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada.

On Saturday, October 13, drop by 56 Barrie St. in Bradford, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., for horse-drawn wagon rides, Tim Hortons hot chocolate, free pumpkins (while quantities last), and more - including a chance to win a trip, in a Silent Auction fundraiser. Remember to wear your costume!

There will also be a Pumpkin Carving Contest. Just post a picture of your best carved pumpkin to the Ad-dictive Designs facebook page, for a chance to win a Stormtech jacket. For details, or to donate, contact Mike at 905-551-2559.

Fall Book Sale!

The Bradford West Gwillimbury Friends of the Library are now accepting donations of "gently used" paperbacks in good conditions, current fiction and non-fiction, children's books, CDs and DVDs for their annual Fall Book Sale, which takes place Nov. 2 and 3. There is a Preview Sale on the 2nd, 7 to 8:30 p.m. (admission \$10 per family), and Public Sale on Nov. 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. - free admission.

Donations can be dropped off at Borrower Services at the Library, 425 Holland St. W. Please - NO muddy books, damaged books, textbooks, Reader's Digest condensed novels or magazines!

Introducing Friday Harbour Resort

The ads promoting Friday Harbour Resort have been filling the airwaves, promising "cottage living reinvented" and a new kind of vacation getaway, less than an hour from the city.

On September 28, Geranium Corporation and partners - including Bill Green of Re-very Resorts, Doug Carrick of Carrick Design Golf Courses, and Peter Clewes of Architects Alliance - provided a behind-the-scenes look at work on the new resort, on the shores of Lake Simcoe in Innisfil.

The nearly 600 acre property has been divided in 3 - a

Carrick-designed 18 hole championship golf course; a 200 acre nature preserve; and a Marina village on the easternmost portion, with condos, a hotel, retail and entertainment, and a 40 acre marina with up to 1,000 boat slips.

It's been a long journey for Earl Rumm, principal of Geranium, and his award winning team - a journey that began with an "idea," 10 years ago, that generated opposition from a local residents' group, the Innisfil District Association, and from Environmental Defence. The idea was "Big Bay Point Resort", and opponents appealed the project to the Ontario Municipal Board.

"It was an idea that turned into a dream," Rumm said. "The harder they pushed us back, the harder Mario (Giampieri, of Geranium) and I dug in."

Rumm said he was prepared to drop the project "if it was economically not viable, if it environmentally was not viable, if engineering-wise it

couldn't happen, if planning-wise it couldn't happen" - but not because "a group of people didn't want this in their world... I wasn't going to allow a small group to turn us."

The turning point for Rumm was the support shown by other Innisfil residents, especially from nearby Sandy Cove Acres. Over 100 Sandy Covers turned out to fill the local Council chambers at one meeting, and show their support.

Now that the resort has passed all of the hurdles, Rumm thanks his former opponents for helping to make Friday Harbour

an outstanding resort. "They drove us to make this great," Rumm said. "They really helped us get to where we are today."

Geranium ended up working closely with the Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Natural

Resources, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Lake Simcoe Conservation Area to create not simply a resort, but one that embraces principles of sustainability, and environmental awareness.

"Our jewel is the lake and the marina. The most important thing is we have to take care of the environment," Rumm said. That includes reuse of dredged materials from the harbour, re-use and treatment of stormwater, an agreement to plant 2 trees for every tree cut down, a new 300-seedling butternut plantation, new amphibian and reptile habitat - and a \$500,000 donation to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation, to promote sustainability and environmental education within the watershed.

Full-scale dewatering and

dredging of the marina is set to begin this week. Construction is slated to start as early as 2013, with the Resort scheduled to open in 2015.

"It's going to be world class," said Rumm. "In Innisfil!"

Photo: Earl Rumm, at the Friday Harbour marina site.



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community listings

MEETINGS

AL-ANON Meets Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Holy Marys of Japan Church basement,

167 Essa St. in Bradford. For information, www.al-anon.alateen.org, www.al-anon.org or call 1-888-4AL-ANON. **SPEAK FOR SUCCESS TOASTMASTERS:** Toast-

masters meet on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Tues. of each month upstairs at the new BWG Leisure Centre, 7-9 p.m. For information see www.speakforsuccess.org or call 486-1000.

BRADFORD PIPES & DRUMS: Pipes and drums wanted - no experience necessary. Will teach! Meet Sundays at the Danube Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd., 3:30 p.m. For more information contact Mike at 705-431-2412.

HELP FOR IMMIGRANTS: Bradford Immigrant & Community Services (BICS) located at 11 Holland St. East offers English Language Classes for Newcomers to Canada, Settlement Assistance, Integration to the Canadian Social System Program, Parenting Workshops, Translation and interpretation services, Form completion and document help, information and referral, advocacy and more. 905-775-3343 or see www.bradfordimmigrant.com

BWG COMMUNITY MEAL: A free hot meal and fellowship for anyone in need come, social assistance, struggling to make ends meet, lonely, or families trying to stretch their food budgets, at Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St., in Bradford. Every Friday at 5:30 p.m. and **T.O.P.S. TOPS** (Take off Pounds Sensibly) is a weight loss support group that meets at the Lions Pool Bldg. Tuesday evenings, 6-7 p.m. No charge to drop in and see what TOPS is all about. Membership is \$22 per year and \$2 per meeting. For details call Edna, 905-775-9018.

ST. MICHAEL'S UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH: 721 Simcoe Rd., Bradford. Fund-raising perogies and cabbage rolls sale every Friday, from noon to 6 p.m., Sat. and Sun. 12:30 to 4 p.m. Info, call the church 905-551-1651.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
53 Miller Park Ave., Bradford
905-775-2412
Sunday Service:
11:15 a.m.
Rev. Adrian Torma

Holy Marys of Japan Catholic Church
167 Essa St. Bradford 905-775-3066
Sat. 8:00 p.m., 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
Confession:
12 hour before Sunday mass.

Holy Marys of Japan Catholic Church
66 Barrie St.,
905-775-7268
Services - 10 a.m.
Sunday School & Nursery
Available
www.bradforduc.com

St. Paul's Anglican Church
Coulson Hill
(NW corner of County Rd.
#4 & 11th Line)
Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School with Service
289-231-3253

Bradford Community Church
Mid-week small group
905-775-0268, located in the S.E. corner of Hwy #11 & Conco. 905
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Nursery - 8:00 to 9:30 Children 4-12 yrs

Riverbide Bible Chapel
905-836-1798
#2046 Bathurst (North of Hwy 11)
11:00 am - Family Bible Hour
8:30 pm - Evening Service
7:30 pm Wed. - Prayer - Bible Study

Bradford Baptist Church
3224-10th Sdth.
(2 km from Hwy 66)
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Kids Program JK-Grade 8
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PLACES OF WORSHIP

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Bond Head United Church
Hwy. 66 west of Hwy. 27
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Trinity Anglican Church
82 Church St., Bradford
(Corner of Church & James St.)
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St. John's Presbyterian
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721 Simcoe Rd., Bradford
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Largy: Sunday 8:00 am
Days 10:00 am
Phone: 905-715-0105

St. Catherine of Alexandra Catholic Church
(Byzantine Rite)
16 Hahn St., Bond Head, Sunday
Eucharist: 9:30am (English),
11:30am (Ukrainian)
905-775-6262
info@scathineofalexandracca.ca

Holland Marsh Christian Reformed Church
16035 Dufferin St., R.R. #2 Newmarket
Sundays 10:00 am & 4:30 pm
Sunday School & Nursery with service
Mid-week youth & adult programs
Rev. Richard Bodin
905-775-7291
E: hollandmarshc@rogans.com

WRITERS' CIRCLE AT COFFEE CULTURE: BWG Writers' Circle now meets socially every Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. For Coffee Culture in Bradford - by the fireplace! Exception is the 3rd Tues. of the month, when the Circle meets at the New Bradford Library.

THURS., OCT. 4

NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK: At the Bradford Ontario Early Years Centre, 118 Barrie St. in Bradford - Stone Soup Night, 5-7 p.m. Bring a cup of your favourite veggie, chopped, to add to the Stone Soup. Also bring a grandparent, to this evening of Soup and Stories. Grandparents - do you have a favourite cookie to share? There will be a Bake Cookie Contest. Pre-register at 905-775-3039, ex. 229.

SAT., OCT. 6

LAST DAY AT THE BRADFORD FARMERS' MARKET: 8 a.m. to noon at the Bradford Public Library parking lot, 425 Holland St. West, Bradford. Hometown Blue-grass Band from Tottenham, pumpkins to decorate, and a thank you to customers!

ONTARIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY SIMCOE COUNTY BRANCH: Meets 2 p.m. at the Steckley Gooderham Funeral Home, 30 Worsley St. in Barrie (Note: NEW VENUE). Shirley Sturdevant, OGS president, presents, "The Internet - Another Genealogical Tool". All welcome. For information, call Ken, 705-228-1170.

TUES., OCT. 9

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR CREATIVE MINDS: At the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. W., 2:00-11:15 a.m. for ages 2 and up. Craft session with Michelle DeGasperis

- make a Spooky Nocturnal Mobile. Class is \$5; pre-register at the Library. Also held on Monday, October 15. **YORK-SIMCOE NATURALISTS:** Meet: 7:30 p.m. at River Drive Park Community Centre, 20 Oak St. in River Drive Park (off Queensville SR, north of Holland Landing). Guest Speakers Frank Jonkmann Jr. and Christa Sharpe on the Holland Marsh Drainage Improvement Program. Refreshments - lug a mug, www.ysnaturalists.ca for info.

WEDS., OCT. 10

SIMCOE COUNTY FOOD & AGRICULTURE CHARACTER: Comment on the draft Food & Agriculture Charter at a Public Information Session, 5-7 p.m. at the Bradford Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Rd. in Bradford, or see fpa.simcoe.ca

THURS., OCT. 11

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OPEN HOUSE AT THE BRADFORD FIREHALL: 6-8 p.m. at the Bradford Fire & Emergency HQ, 75 Melbourne Drive, Bradford. Meet the fire-fighters, check out the fire trucks, pick up give-aways and fire prevention materials.

SAT., OCT. 13

SOUPFEST: A celebration of the harvest and local food takes place at Ansonville Park, 18997 Dufferin St. in the Holland Marsh, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Farmers' Market, Arts and Crafts, wagon rides, and Soup Sampling from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets \$18 in advance, \$20 at the gate.

AD-ADDITIVE DESIGNS FALL HARVEST EVENT: A fund-raiser for the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. At Ad-Additive Designs, 56 Barrie St. in Bradford. Hot Chocolate, free pumpkins (while they last), horse-drawn wagon rides, and silent auction for a trip! Wear a costume.

BWG LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETS: At the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. W., in the Zima Room, 2 p.m. Speaker will be Vera Stoddart, on the History of Bond Head. All welcome. For information, contact Vera at 905-775-3600.

MON., OCT. 15

TECUMSETH & WEST GILLIMBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS: At the Tec-We-Gill Women's Institute Hall in Newton Robinson, (27 & 10th Line BWG), at 7:30 p.m. Speaker Bert Platt will talk about the role of Chief Tecumseh, in the War of 1812. Refreshments - all welcome. For info, call 905-775-7144 or 905-936-4086.

Church suppers & activities

St. Paul's Anglican Church (Coulson's Hill), at the 11th Line BWG just west of Yonge St., presents its annual **Harvest Bazaar** on Saturday, October 20, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bake Table, Preserves, Crafts, and a hearty Tea Room Lunch for only \$6, all welcome.

Gifford United Church Bazaar and Bake Sale takes place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 20 - with crafts, jewellery, quilt auction, baked goods and more. Located at the Clifford Rd. and 20th Sideroad. For more information, contact Ann, 905-458-4756.

Holy Marys of Japan Catholic Church in Bradford hosts its 8th annual **Oktoberfest Dinner & Dance** on Saturday, Oct. 20, with music by Acclamation Nation. Dinner starts at 7 p.m. Tickets \$15 (\$10 for children 12 and under); call Diane, 705-458-1718.

November 3, St. James United Church in Stroud, Infilfil, holds an **Evergreen Bazaar** - with delectable pies, tasty pickles, tangy chili sauces, trendy scarves, aprons, placemats, children's Shopping Centre, and much more, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Start your Christmas shopping early!

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8th ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST

Dinner & Dance

at Holy Marys of Japan Church

SATURDAY OCTOBER 20th 2012

Dinner: 7:00pm / Music By Acclamation Nation

\$15 per Person / \$10 for Ages 12 and Under

Doors Open at 6:00pm

- For Tickets Call Diane at 705-458-1718 -



Sports

Running for the Cure



They're off, in the annual CIBC Run for the Cure, Sept. 30, along the Barrie waterfront. The annual fundraiser for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation drew participants from as far away as Vaughan - and Bradford (below).

Heritage Park in Barrie was a sea of pink on September 30, for the annual CIBC Run for the Cure. Over 2,000 runners and walkers were united in a cause: to raise money for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation, and a "future without breast cancer." They came from across the region, to walk individually, or in teams. The "Fast Friends" came from up from Newmarket, dressed in pink tutus and wings. There were the "Beetle Beauties", the "Titty Trotters" from Keswick, Booby Buddies, Save Our Boobs, Tig Bitties, Anticure - teams from Alliston, Innisfil, Bradford, and Barrie.

Everyone was walking for someone - a co-worker, a mother, an aunt, a neighbour, a friend, the one in 9 women who will be diagnosed in their life-time, the survivors.

Elizabeth Thomas Eddy is a survivor, and spoke at the start of the Run for the Cure, for the second year. "One year ago, I stood before you on this stage, completely bald, no

eyelashes, no eyebrows," she said. Since then, she's had a second mastectomy, preventative surgery, and breast reconstruction. "It's hard to see the light at the end of the tunnel," hard to find the strength to go on, at times, she said, but "I stand before you as a visual reminder - there is life after cancer."



After a total of 20 months "on this cancer ride," Eddy said, "I'm still going strong," thanks to new medications, new surgery options, dedicated and skilled doctors and nursing staff. "Hope can now be attached to a diagnosis of breast cancer. There's a ton of success stories out there. We must never give up hope."

This year's CIBC Run for the Cure raised over \$30 million, with more than 170,000 participants taking part in 60 communities. The Run in Barrie raised over \$304,561 - with pledges and donations still coming in, during Breast Cancer Awareness month, at local CIBC branches, and www.runfortheCure.com

Autism Walk

Autism Fun Walk, Saturday, Oct. 13 at Heritage Park in Barrie. Register 9 a.m. Walk at 10 a.m. Only \$25 per person, but please collect pledges for Autism Ontario! See www.autismontario.com/stmcoe





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Hockey Night in Bradford: Blue & Gold

MAJOR ATOMS

Bradford's Major "A" Atoms participated in the BWMFHA Blue & Gold Tourney in Bradford, Sept. 28-30 and won SILVER!

Game 1 - Bradford - 11, Downsview - 0. Goals by Carson Cameron with a hat trick (one unassisted), Jackson Carruthers, Tyler Mumford and William Bishop with 2 each, singles by Westin Torrie (unassisted) and Ryan Jensen. Assists to Owen Hodgson (3), Carson Cameron, Cole Jakacs, Carruthers, Stuart Heath, Jensen, Joseph Magani and Dakota Mazurek.

Game 2, Bradford - 3, Vaughan - 1. Goals by Carson Cameron (unassisted), and Jackson Carruthers with a pair, one unassisted and one with help from Cameron.

Game 3, Bradford - 3, Southpoint - 2. Scoring by Joseph Magani, Carson Cameron (unassisted) and Ryan Jensen, with helpers to

Stuart Heath (2) and Tyler Mumford.

Game 4, Bradford 18, Dundas

0 - Quarter final win sent the team to the Championship. **Championship Game**, NobleKing - 4, Bradford - 2, in a heart-breaking loss. Both goals by Carson Cameron, from Cole Jakacs, Dakota Mazurek, and Joseph Magani.

MINOR PEEWEE

Bradford's Minor Peeewee "A" Rep team played in the Blue & Gold Tournament.

Game 1, Bradford Everest Supply - 3, Vaughan Panthers - 1. Goals by Anthony Roberts with 2, Jacob Lush with the single, from Clark Carruthers and Roberts. Player of the game - Noah Davidson.

Game 2, Barrie - 6, Bradford Everest Supply - 2. Markers by Anthony Roberts and Jacob Lush, with an assist to Keegan Steyn. Player of the game - Jacob Lush.

Game 3, Ottawa Sting - 4,

Bradford Everest Supply - 2. Scoring by Brayden Heutley and Jacob Lush, with an assist to Nicholas Brundige. Player of the game - Brayden Heutley.

Game 4, Brantford - 3, Bradford Everest Supply - 2. Game went into a 3rd overtime period, and a heart-breaking loss for Bradford. Both goals by Anthony Roberts, from Tristan Longfield, Noah Davidson and Player of the Game - Brendan Glasson.

MINOR MIDGET

Sept. 13, Bradford Maroon General Contracting/Aurora Action Sports - 1, Barrie - 1. Goal by Brad Leggett from Tarron Boyd.

Sept. 22, Bradford Maroon GC/Aurora Action Sports - 4, Orillia - 1. Goals by Ian Atkinson, Brad Leggett, Connor James and Garrett Gordon, from Tarron Boyd (2), Gordon, Atkinson, Ansel

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Blessing of the Animals, at Trinity Anglican Church in Bradford, on September 30. Here, Father Daniel Graves blesses Molly the King Charles Spaniel, and other companion animals - in honour of St. Francis of Assisi, whose Feast Day is October 4.

Church events!

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There will be another Murder Mystery Dinner hosted by Bradford United Church - but this time, it will be a Gala event at the Bradford Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Road, on Saturday, November 3. Enjoy *Murder at the Kringle's Annual Holiday Block Party*, a gourmet dinner, and a silent Auction. Beer or wine will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$30 per person, available at the

Church, at 905-775-7288. Tickets must be purchased in advance, by October 26.
Everyone is invited to come out to see *Whodunnit!*

Hockey Night!

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Maria Madaleno (nee Braga) of Bradford at
87 years of age. Beloved wife of the late
Paulo Medeiros. Loving mother of Maurina
(Manuel) Vigário, Lourdes (Gerry) Dulyk
and Paul (Betty) Medeiros. Dear
grandmother of 8 grandchildren and 5 great
grandchildren. Dear sister of Manuel
(Betty) Braga, Tony (Isla Lourdes) Braga,
Diodata (Antonio) Malo, Irla Norberto
(Jorgelina) Braga, Maria Jose (Jose)
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Friends called at SKWARCHUK FUNERAL
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Focus on Community



Photo by Miriam King, Bradford Times
Frank Rondell, tribute artist, offered an outstanding performance as "Ray Charles" at the Tribute Artist Gala for Southlake Regional Health Centre, Sept. 29.

Rockin' for Southlake

It was an evening of music, dancing, and fundraising at the Portuguese Cultural Centre of Bradford, on Saturday night - and a tribute to great music.

From ballads to doo-wop, four of the country's top Tribute Artists performed the music of Sir Elton John (Marcus Wells), Frankie Valli and Ray Charles (Frank Rondell), Neil Diamond (Will Chalmers) and Tom Jones (Dave LaFame) to set the mood.

backed by the band, Gerie and the Koesters, and the Mo-Town style girl singers, The Tonettes.

The event was a fundraiser for Southlake Regional Health Centre, and guests were encouraged to bring in a donation of non-perishable food for the annual Back Alley Cruisers car club's food drive. Two classic cars flanked the entry to the Portuguese Centre, to set the mood.



Above, The Tonettes. The evening was organized by Elena Chisholm of EPC Management; she has now partnered with Rosemarie Garrity O'Brien of the Collingwood Elvis Festival, as Creative Gal Productions. For info on upcoming events see www.creativegalproductions.com

Valentines instead of Halloween

The Bradford Firefighters won't be holding their traditional October Dance this year. Instead, plans are in the works for a special Valentine's Day-themed Dance, to be held Saturday, February 9, 2013. Watch for details - tickets will be available shortly.

Celebrating Hope in Purple Heels

Everything at Upper Canada Mall, for the 2nd annual Hope in Purple Heels fundraiser, was just "Gorgeous." That's the theme of the Mall's 'rebranding', and it's image as a shopping destination



The campaign began after a group of women carpenters approached Belinda Stronach, then MP for Newmarket-Aurora. "We were often approached, for a variety of causes," Stronach told guests

Mall's General Manager Robert Horst noted, "This is done through giving. Every single dollar of ticket sales went direct to Belinda's Place Shelter."

Story, photos by Miriam King
Left, Belinda Stronach (centre) with Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Doug White and wife Jeanene.

Right, Simon Chang's take on fall. Below, Rudsak styling. Right, '30s cafe society from RW & Co.



north of Toronto, with retailers that include Simon Chang, Rudsak, Michael Kors and Brown's. It was also the theme of the Gala fundraiser, which invited guests to walk the purple carpet, pose for "Celebrity" shots, and enjoy an evening of cocktails, appetizers and fashion, all to raise money for Belinda's Place.

Belinda's Place is a new shelter in York Region for single women, that hopes to break ground in the Spring of 2013.

The project was spawned by the statistics: In 2006, there were more than 10,000 single women living in poverty in York Region. More than 500 women were turned away from shelters for abused women and their children.

And in all of the region, said the evening's emcee, Hollywood make-up artist Paul Veniot, "Not one shelter existed for single women."

at the Gala - but this time, the women carpenters had an unusual proposal: they wanted to volunteer their time, to build a shelter for single women.

Became the Honorary chair of campaign. "I'm privileged and honoured that they came to me and said they wanted to call it Belinda's Place," she said - but was quick to credit the volunteers, the committee and all who have donated, for helping to make the shelter a reality.

Guests sipped Prosecco champagne, and nibbled duck crepes and shrimp, catered by Edward Street Bistro, were entertained by singing sensation Christopher Della, and watched as models, dressed in outfits from Upper Canada Mall retailers, paraded down the runway.

The inaugural Hope in Purple Heels gala raised \$50,000. The goal for 2012 was to raise \$75,000 - and as the

Warden's Gala raises fund for the United Way

Last year, the Simcoe County "Warden's Gala" for the United Way of Simcoe County and Georgian Triangle raised an impressive \$46,000 for the umbrella organization that provides financial support for 29 agencies and programs.

This year, the fundraiser topped that. The annual dinner and silent auction raised over \$73,400 - including a \$5,000 donation from Lou Biffis and family, owners of the Nottawasaga Inn and Resort that hosted the annual event.

It was an evening of cocktails, dinner, classical music by the Huronia Symphony Quartet, and entertainment by comedian Simon B. Cotter. But it was also an evening to say thank-you, to all who support the United Way, "on behalf of the homeless, on behalf of the hungry, on behalf of the marginalized, on behalf of those with physical and mental disabilities, on behalf of those

fighting the disease of addiction."

Keynote speaker was Ric Rattle, a former Sous Chef, driven into poverty by ill health, who at his lowest point received assistance and support from the David Busby Centre in Barrie, and who is now a participant representative on the Centre's Board of Directors.

"When I first walked into the Busby Centre for coffee, I never expected it would be life-changing," Rattle said. "When there was no hope, the Centre instilled encouragement to carry on."

And just as the Busby Centre, "the only centre of its kind in Simcoe County," provides support to an estimated 40,000 people each year, the United Way provides support to

organizations like the Busby Centre.

"The problems are increasing, the numbers are increasing, and the United Way is able to touch so many who need help," Rattle said.

This was the 5th year for the Gala - and the 3rd year that it has been hosted by Warden Cal Patterson, Mayor of Wasaga Beach.

"Tonight is a fine example of how people can come together, not only to lift up people in need, but build community," Patterson said. "Your donations will make a difference in someone's life."

He praised the partnership, between the United Way, its member organizations, and the sponsors and supporters of the Gala - not only changing lives, but "building an even greater Simcoe County. Thank you for being here tonight."

Photo: Warden Cal Patterson with Jeanene and Mayor Doug White.



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